IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Pursuant to 37 CFS § 1.121(b)(1)(iii), a marked up copy of the each paragraph amended below appears on the page immediately following each amendment.

Please delete the paragraph that begins on page 1, line 10 and ends on page 1, line 15 and insert the following paragraph therefor:

--Communication devices such as routers, switches, and NIC's (network interface cards) communicate using predefined methods that are formalized as protocols. For increased cost efficiency and interoperability, a communication device may include support for more than one protocol. The challenge for users of such a device is determining the protocol or protocols being used at a given time to identify and resolve communication issues.

Please delete the paragraph that begins on page 2, line 4 and ends on page 2, line 10 and insert the following paragraph therefor:

--One embodiment, accordingly, provides a system that includes a first indicator, a second indicator, and a device associated with the first indicator and the second indicator. The device is configured to receive a packet. The device is also configured to detect a first protocol associated with the packet and cause the first indicator to be activated in response to detecting the first protocol. The device is further configured to detect a second protocol associated with the packet and cause the second indicator to be activated in response to detecting the second protocol.

device such as a computer system to a network to allow the first device to communicate with other devices. In still a further embodiment, device 100 is a storage device coupled to another device. The storage device transmits communication signals to and/or receives communication signals from the device to facilitate data storage transactions. In yet a further embodiment, device 100 is a network adapter configured to communicate with different devices using different protocols. The network adapter may be located on a card that is included as part of another device. In other embodiments, device 100 may include any device configured to transmit and/or receive communication signals.

Please delete the paragraph that begins on page 6, line 19 and ends on page 6, line 22 and insert the following paragraph therefor:

--The operation of the embodiment of Fig. 1 may be seen by way of examples in Fig. 2. Fig. 2 is a diagram illustrating an embodiment of a plurality of indicators 240 coupled to a device 200 and a device 220. Device 220 is a NIC and will be referred to as NIC 220.

Please delete the paragraph that begins on page 9, line 1 and ends on page 9, line 8 and insert the following paragraph therefor:

--Transport layer 360 includes indicators 362, 364, and 366. Each indicator 362, 364, and 366 is associated with a different protocol that operates in accordance with transport layer 360. Examples of transport layer 360 protocols include Transmission Control Protocol (TCP) and User Datagram Protocol (UDP). Transport layer 360 is responsible for overall end to end validity and integrity of a transmission. Data link layer 320 may only be responsible for delivering packets from one node to another. Thus, if a packet gets lost, transport layer 360 may detect that the packet has been lost.

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Please delete the paragraph that begins on page 15, line 6 and ends on page 15, line 12 and insert the following paragraph therefor:

--A system that includes a first indicator, a second indicator, and a device associated with the first indicator and the second indicator is provided. The device is configured to receive a packet. The device is also configured to detect a first protocol associated with the packet and cause the first indicator to be activated in response to detecting the first protocol. The device is further configured to detect a second protocol associated with the packet and cause the second indicator to be activated in response to detecting the second protocol.